REGULAR MEETING of the Burrillville Town Council held Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville for and within the Town of Burrillville.

PRESENT: Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, John M. Karmozyn Jr. and Norman C. Mainville

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

- 1. Council President Nancy F. Binns led those present in pledging allegiance to the flag.
- 2. VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held February 11, 2009, and the public hearing held February 11, 2009; and dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

3. Public Comment:

Michele Badessa of Black Hut Road extended best wishes to

Councilor Kevin M. Blais on his birthday.

4. General Good and Welfare of the Town of Burrillville

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley discussed the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP). Councilor Dudley referred interested residents to Tri-Town in Johnston.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced the Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Department of Parks & Recreation, scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 11:30 A.M. at Branch River Park. The rain date is April 11, 2009.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced the 2nd Annual Silent Auction to benefit the Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library on March 14, 2009 at Crystal Lake Golf Course. Tickets are available at the library and at town hall.

Councilor Kevin D. Heitke commended the large number of Burrillville students who made the honor role.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais wished Michelle Badessa of Glendale a happy birthday.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais thanked Mr. Salvas and his assistant for inspecting Burrillville public buildings for accessibility.

Councilor Norman C. Mainville offered sympathies on the death of former Town Solicitor Irving Zimmerman. Councilor Mainville discussed Mr. Zimmerman's long service to the Town of Burrillville.

Council President Nancy F. Binns extended condolences to the Lavigne family on the death of Lea Lavigne. Council President Binns discussed the service Miss Lavigne and her sisters extended to the Town through their business, Alice Florist, and through their community service.

5. Petitions: None

6. Special Business:

09-045 VOTED to grant the renewal of Private Detective License #4 from Gerald L. Lapierre, 673 Douglas Pike, Harrisville.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

7. Unfinished Business: None

8. New Business:

VOTED to take agenda item 09-058 out of numerical sequence and open it up for discussion first on the agenda.

Motion by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-058 Request from Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, that the Town Council consider and act on rescheduling the March 18, 2009 hearing to consider and adjudicate alleged violations of the Town Charter by Councilman Kevin Blais; specifically §19.10.

Discussion: Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, noted that the hearing with respect to the alleged Charter violation by Councilor Kevin M. Blais had been scheduled for Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. at the High School Media Center. Mr. Kane informed the Town Council that Special Counsel Richard Ratcliffe had requested that the hearing be rescheduled due to a family commitment.

Council President Nancy F. Binns recommended rescheduling to Monday, March 23, 2009.

MOTION that we reschedule the March 18, 2009 hearing to consider and adjudicate the alleged violations to March 23, 2009, at 6:00 P.M. at the Media Center.

Motion by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The motion carried, six in favor, one abstention. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville. Councilor Kevin M. Blais abstained.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais informed the Town Council that he thought he had a conflict on that date. Alternative dates were discussed.

MOTION to set as a back-up date to the Charter violation meeting, the back-up date to be Friday, March 20, 2009; the meeting to be held at 6:00 P.M. at the Media Center.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

Council President Nancy F. Binns recommended that, since Councilor Blais had indicated that he had no conflict with the March 20, 2009 date, March 20, 2009 be set as a definite date. Councilor Blais indicated that the March 20, 2009 date would not provide sufficient time for discovery, etc.

Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, stated that notice had been mailed to Councilor Blais on February 3, 2009. Councilor Blais indicated that notice had been received effective February 24, 2009. Mr. Kane indicated that on February 3, 2009 he had notified Mr. Blais of the hearing by telephone, and by certified mail with a return receipt. Councilor Blais indicated that he had picked up the certified mail on Monday, February 23, 2009. Mr. Kane advised the Town Council that, since the notice was mailed on February 3, 2009 and he had spoken with Councilor Blais on February 3, 2009, then scheduling the hearing on/after February 18, 2009 should provide sufficient time.

Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, suggested to Councilor Blais that if he had engaged legal counsel, Councilor Blais could have his legal counsel contact the Solicitor. Councilor Blais suggested that he could contact the Solicitor personally, should he choose to represent himself. Mr. Kane indicated that questions should be referred to Mr. Ratcliffe; Mr. Kane would address only questions related to scheduling the hearing.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley withdrew her motion.

AMENDED MOTION that the Charter violation, originally rescheduled to the 23rd of March be scheduled for Friday, March 20th at 6:00 P.M. at the High School Media Center.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor

Wallace F. Lees. The motion carried, six in favor, one opposed. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville. Councilor Kevin M. Blais voted in opposition.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais asked that the record show the reason for his objection.

Point of Order: Councilor Kevin D. Heitke suggested that discussion of the reason for the vote would be out of order.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais said that he has the right to have the record reflect any comment that he thinks. Councilor Heitke suggested that, after discussion is concluded and a vote taken, further explanation is improper.

Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, noted for the record that notice to Councilor Kevin M. Blais also had been sent by regular mail on February 3, 2009, as well as in his mailbox at the Town Building, in addition to the telephone call and certified mail. Mr. Kane suggested that Councilor Blais should have received the regular mail notice on February 4 or 5, 2009.

Council President Nancy F. Binns asked Councilor Blais to be brief in concluding his statement.

Councilor Kevin M. Blais noted that the reason for his objection is that it does not give him any reasonable time to prepare.

09-046 VOTED to endorse the 2008 Annual Stormwater Management Report and forward to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-047 VOTED to approve the license from the State of Rhode Island DOT to the Town of Burrillville for a sign displaying the name of Commerce Park.

Motion by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. Seconded by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-048 First Reading and scheduling of a public hearing related to proposed amendments to the Revised General Ordinances, Town of Burrillville, Rhode Island, 2004, as revised, Chapter 6 entitled Buildings and Building Regulations, §6-2. Building Permit.

VOTED to schedule hearing at the call of the Chair.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-049 VOTED to refer to the Screening Subcommittee the application from Edmund A. Varin for reappointment to the Zoning Board.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Kevin M. Blais. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-050 Correspondence from Councilor Norman C. Mainville, Chair, Screening Subcommittee, regarding the Subcommittee's recommendations.

VOTED to reappoint:

- Jacqueline Zahn to the Juvenile Hearing Board for a three year term to expire January 31, 2012
- Charlotte Gabrielson as an alternate to the Personnel Board for a one year term to expire January 31, 2010
- Paul MacDonald to the Personnel Board for a three year term to expire March 31, 2012
- Mike Scurka to the Conservation Commission for a three year term to expire March 31, 2012
- Mark Brizard to the Redevelopment Agency for a five year term to expire March 31, 2014
- James Langlois to the Redevelopment Agency for a five year term to expire March 31, 2014
- Sandra Cooney as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Review for a one year term to expire March 31, 2010
- John Patriarca to the Zoning Board of Review to complete an unexpired five-year term; term to expire March 31, 2010
- Bruce Ferreira to the Planning Board for a three year term to expire
 March 31, 2012
- Christopher Desjardins to the Planning Board for a three year term to expire March 31, 2012
- Jeffrey Presbrey to the Planning Board for a three year term to expire March 31, 2012

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor

John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-051 VOTED to open the correspondence from Council President Nancy F. Binns regarding her recommendation to establish a committee relative to long-term options for rubbish and recycling.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Discussion: Council President Nancy F. Binns noted that the Town Council would need to look into several matters related to rubbish and recycling, including the use of the transfer station and the need to encourage an increase in recycling. Council President Binns recommended a committee of six, to include the Town Manager, Director of Public Works, two Councilors and one or two members of the public. Councilor Kevin M. Blais volunteered to serve on the committee. Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, supported the merit of the plan, discussed potential cost problems associated with trash pick-up under future contracts, and reviewed increases in recycling percentages.

MOTION to approve establishment of an advisory group to look into the issues of recycling, including the Town Manager and the DPW director, and/or their designees, two Council members, and two members of the public.

Motion by Council President Nancy F. Binns. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley.

Councilor Norman C. Mainville recommended advertising for members of the public before setting the Commission. Councilor Mainville discussed the benefits provided by improving recycling.

AMENDMENT to the main motion, to nominate Councilors Dudley and Karmozyn to serve as the two Councilors.

Amendment by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. There was no second to the amendment.

The vote on the main motion was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-052 VOTED to open discussion of a resolution authorizing issuance of bonds and bond anticipation notes for the capping and

post closure use of the Whipple Avenue Landfill.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Discussion: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, referenced discussions and planning relative to state aid revenue reductions and tax cap legislation. Mr. Wood explained his recommendation to fund the landfill capping project with bond issuance. Mr. Wood noted the intent to seek funding for the project under the federal stimulus program. Mr. Wood asked the Town Council to use their authority to authorize a bond issue, which would be used if necessary, though funding from a combination of other sources would be sought.

VOTED to approve the resolution as presented, inclusive of sections one through eleven, as follows:

RESOLUTION
TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE, RHODE ISLAND

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE APPROVING
THE FINANCING OF THE CAPPING AND MODIFICATION FOR POST
CLOSURE USE OF THE WHIPPLE AVENUE LANDFILL AND

APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000

RESOLVED, That:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Section 45-12-2 and Section 3.14(L) of the Burrillville Town Charter (the "Charter"), an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 is appropriated for the purpose of financing the capping and modification for post closure use of the Whipple Avenue Landfill (the "Project").

SECTION 2. The Finance Director and the President of the Town Council be and hereby are authorized to issue on behalf of the Town, an amount not exceeding Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) bonds of the Town, at one time, or from time to time in order to meet the foregoing appropriation.

SECTION 3. The said officers from time to time may issue and refund not exceeding \$2,500,000 interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of said bonds or in anticipation of the receipt of federal or state aid for the purpose specified in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 4. The manner of sale, amount, denominations, maturities, conversion or registration privileges, interest rates, medium of payment, and other terms, conditions and details of the bonds or notes may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds or notes.

SECTION 5. The said officers from time to time may apply for, contract for and expend any federal or state advances or other grants

or assistance which may be available for the purposes specified in Section 1 hereof. Notwithstanding anything contained in this resolution, the Town may enter into financing agreements with the Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency pursuant to Title 46, Chapter 12.2 of the general laws and, with respect to notes or bonds issued in connection with such financing agreements, if any, the Town may elect to have the provisions of Title 46, Chapter 12.2 of the general laws apply to the issuance of bonds or notes issued hereunder to the extent the provisions of Title 46, Chapter 12.2 of the general laws are inconsistent herewith. Such election may be fixed by the proceedings of the Town Council authorizing such issuance or by separate resolution of the Town Council, or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds or notes.

SECTION 6. Pending the issuance of the bonds under Section 2 hereof or pending or in lieu of the issue of notes under Section 3 hereof, the Finance Director may expend funds from the general treasury of the Town for the purposes specified in Section 1 hereof. Any advances made under this section shall be repaid without interest from the proceeds of the bonds or notes issued hereunder or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds.

SECTION 7. The Finance Director and the President of the Town Council are also authorized, empowered and directed, on behalf of the Town, to: (i) execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all other documents, certificates or instruments necessary to effectuate such

borrowing; (ii) amend, modify or supplement the bonds or notes any and all other documents, certificates or instruments at any time and from time to time, in such manner and for such purposes as such officers shall deem necessary, desirable or advisable; (iii) do and perform all such other acts and things deemed by such officers to be necessary, desirable or advisable with respect to any matters contemplated by this resolution in order to effectuate said borrowing and the intent hereof.

SECTION 8. The Finance Director together with the President of the Town Council be, and hereby are, authorized to deliver the bonds or notes to the purchasers and said officers be, and hereby are, authorized and instructed to take all actions, on behalf of the Town, necessary to ensure that interest on the bonds or notes will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and to refrain from all actions which would cause interest on the bonds or notes to become subject to federal income taxes.

SECTION 9. This resolution is an affirmative action of the Town Council of the Town toward the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the purposes of the laws of the State. This resolution constitutes the Town's declaration of official intent, pursuant to Treasury Regulation §1.150(2), to reimburse the Town for certain capital expenditures for the Project paid on or after the date which is sixty (60) days prior to the date of this resolution but prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes. Such amounts to be reimbursed shall not exceed \$2,500,000 and shall be reimbursed not later than eighteen (18) months after (a) the date on which the expenditure is

paid or (b) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned but in no event later than three (3) years after the date the expenditure is paid.

SECTION 10. The Director of Finance and the President of the Town Council are authorized to take all actions necessary to comply with federal tax and securities laws including Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") and to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate in connection with the Bonds in the form as shall be deemed advisable by the Director of Finance and the President of the Town Council in order to comply with the Rule. The Town hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, as it may be amended from time to time. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution or the Bonds, failure of the Town to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not be considered an event of default; however, any bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Town to comply with its obligations under this Section and under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

SECTION 11. This resolution shall take effect upon passage Adopted this 25th day of February 2009.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees,

Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Pending Legislation:

09-053 VOTED to support Senate Bill S 0312 – An Act Relating to Elections – Local Canvassing Authorities.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-054 VOTED to support Senate Bill S 0104 – An Act Relating to Public Utilities – Excavation Near Underground Utility Facilities – Costs.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Additional Pending Legislation:

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley noted that Senator Paiva-Weed intended to introduce legislation related to Governmental Health Group of Rhode Island (GHGRI). Councilor Dudley asked that the Clerk's office track the proposal and provide a copy to the Town Council after it had been introduced.

9. Town Clerk/Communication:

09-055 VOTED to receive and file the legislative status report on the bills on which the Town Council has taken a position.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-056 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Dale S. Holberton, CMC, regarding the Town of South Kingstown's receiving and filing communication from the Burrillville Town Council.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Kevin M. Blais. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-057 VOTED to support the East Providence City Council's resolution supporting "Necessary Municipal Tools Contained in the FY2009 Supplemental Budget Proposal" as requested by Mayor Joseph S. Larisa, Jr.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

- 10. VOTED to approve reports #1 through 23, as received:
- 1. Town Treasurer: No report
- 2. Burrillville Sewer Commission: Report of January 2009 and meetings of January 13 & 22, 2009
- 3. Tax Collector: Report of January 2009
- 4. Department of Public Works: Report of January 2009
- 5. Chief of Police: Report of January 2009
- 6. Office of Building Official: Report of January 2009
- 7. Animal Control Officer: Report of January 2009
- 8. Burrillville Housing Authority: Meeting of January 14, 2009
- 9. Planning Board/Town Planner: No report
- 10. Zoning Board of Review: No report
- 11. Parks and Recreation Department: Reports of December 2008

and January & February 2009

- 12. Information Systems Department: Report of February 2009
- 13. Burrillville Conservation Commission: No report
- 14. Ordinance Subcommittee: Meeting of January 8, 2009
- 15. Redevelopment Agency: No report
- 16. B-PAC: No report
- 17. Personnel Board: Meeting of December 16, 2008
- 18. Screening Subcommittee: Meeting of December 15, 2008
- 19. Budget Board: Meetings of January 15, 21, 22, & 29, 2009
- 20. Burrillville School Committee: Meeting of December 9, 2008
- 21. Senior Center Feasibility Study Committee: Meeting of January 7, 2009
- 22. Emergency Management Agency: Report of February 18, 2009
- 23. Public Safety Committee: No report

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

11. Additional New Business:

09-058 Request from Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, that the Town Council consider and act on rescheduling the March 18, 2009 hearing to consider and adjudicate alleged violations of the Town Charter by

Councilman Kevin Blais; specifically §19.10.

Note: Item 09-058 was considered earlier on the agenda.

12. VOTED to adjourn at 7:30 P.M.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Kevin M. Blais, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

The meeting was taped. The tape is on file with the record of the meeting.

Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk